

ACTIVITY: Sitting on surfboard

CASE: GSAF 2008.07.27

DATE: Sunday July 27, 2008

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Pacific Ocean at Playa Teta near San Carlos Beach, Panama.

NAME: Gerardo Solis

DESCRIPTION: He is a male judge.

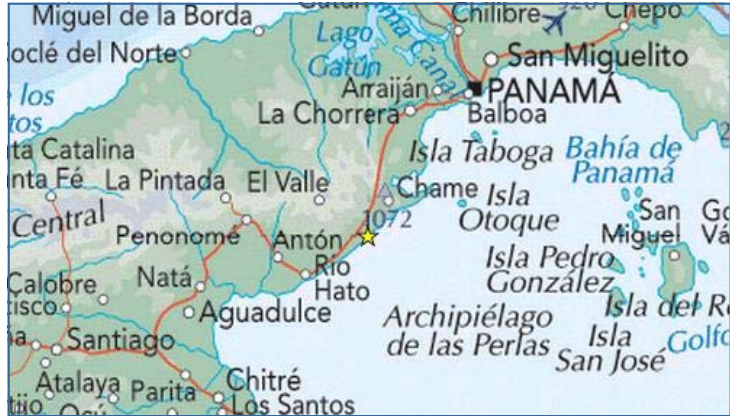
BACKGROUND

SEA CONDITIONS: "Muddy water"

ENVIRONMENT: The incident took place in a school of baitfish.

DEPTH OF WATER: "Shallow"

TIME: 18h00



The town of San Carlos is about 84 km, from Panama City, a 45 minute drive, and is very popular with surfers. Playa Teta lies about two miles past the town of Coronado and is named for a river, the Rio Teta, that runs in front of it.

NARRATIVE: Gerardo Solis was filming while sitting on a surfboard when he was bitten by a shark.

INJURY: There were the marks of five teeth of the shark in his left foot.

TREATMENT: Solis's father, Menalco Solis, said the injury was not life-threatening and that his son was treated at a local clinic in San Carlos where he was given antibiotics, anti-tetanus and anti-inflammatories and released.

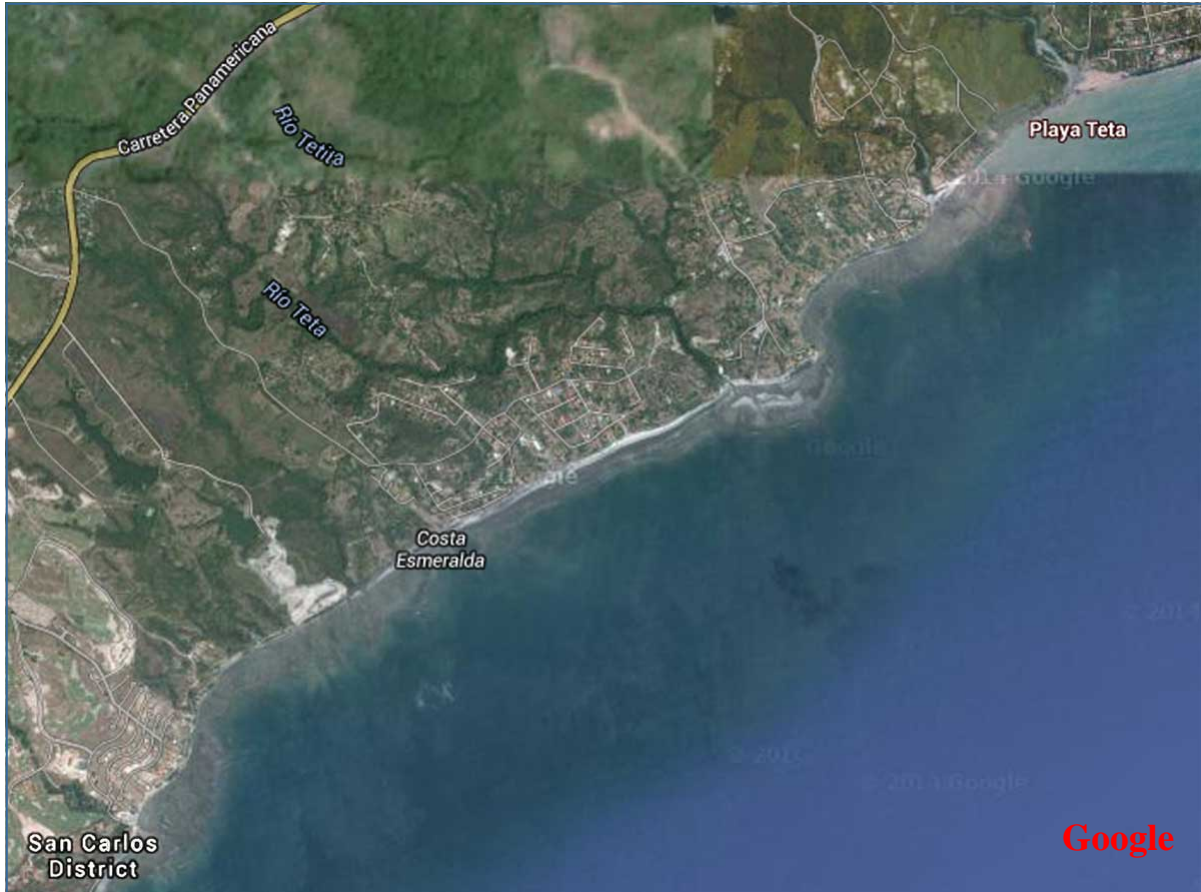
SPECIES INVOLVED: The incident involved a small shark less than a metre in length.

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